

# PORT ARTHUR IS AT LAST CUT OFF

## THE DOCTORS ARE LEAVING FOR HOME

THIS EVENING AND TO-MORROW WILL BE THE LAST WE SHALL SEE OF THE VISITING PHYSICIANS FOR THIS TIME. A FINE LECTURE AND ELEGANT BANQUET WERE LAST NIGHT'S FEATURES.

OFFICERS WERE ELECTED THIS MORNING—DR. W. C. JAMISON IS FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT—CONVENTION MEETS NEXT YEAR IN WHEELING—VISITORS REPORT PLEASANT STAY—GOOD WORDS FOR FAIRMONT.

Last evening Dr. S. L. Jepson of Wheeling, addressed a large and appreciative audience at the Normal Auditorium on the subject "Suicide." Nearly all the delegates to the Medical Association were present, and a large number of other people. Dr. Jepson stated his purpose as not to teach the people how to suicide, but how not to suicide.

He began with Sampson, who killed himself by pulling down the pillars of the temple in the year 1120, B. C. He then gave its history, including Mark Anthony and the voluptuous and beautiful Cleopatra, Judas Iscariot and on up to the present time, and proved to his auditors that no person who suicides is long missed by the public. He then took up the causes of suicide and ended by advising the people how to keep from it. Everybody present was well pleased, and all pronounced it a good lecture.

After the lecture the association went to Skinner's Tavern, where the banquet was held. Dr. I. N. Houston, of Moundsville, was made toastmaster, who is generally known to be a good one. Responses were made by Drs. Wilson, Churchman, Lilley, Ogden, Aschman, Cook and others.

A delectable supper was served and everybody present had a good time. All were well entertained and will long remember the hours spent together with Col. Williams as host.

This morning the meeting was continued in Willard Hall, and several papers were read, followed by discussions. The officers of the State organization for the coming year were elected. They are:

President—T. M. Hood, of Clarksburg.

Vice-Presidents—W. C. Jamison, of Fairmont; E. L. Parsons, of Piedmont, and A. A. Shawkey, of Charleston.

Secretary—W. W. Golden, of Elkins.

Treasurer—V. T. Churchman, of Charleston.

Committees were appointed and the next meeting will be held at Wheeling.

In the discussions the question of legislation came up, and a prominent Democrat was willing to compromise on a physician as a candidate for governor, but Dr. McDonald, of Fairmont, reminded him that the Democrats were always ready to compromise.

The new president was installed and made an address, after which the association adjourned.

This afternoon they have made up a trolley party and are visiting the New England mines to see the miners at work.

This evening and to-morrow they will leave for their homes. This has been a successful meeting, and we are glad to have them with us. The meeting has been largely attended and all present have been benefited thereby. All the visitors have a good word to say about the way they have been entertained while here, and leave with a kind remembrance of our city and its physicians.

### Sentenced to the Pen For One Year.

Noah Sloane, the young man who entered the store of the Fairmont Coal Company recently at Watson, and who it will be remembered was captured by the elevator, was given a trial yesterday in the U. S. Court at Martinsburg, and adjudged guilty. Judge Jackson accordingly sentenced him to the penitentiary for a term of one year.

S. B. Hinerman, a prominent business man of Cameron, was in the city to-day.

## FAST DRIVING

CREATED EXCITEMENT ON JACKSON STREET—A GENTLE ROAST FOR "GENTLEMEN."

Yesterday evening two ladies were driving down Jackson street at a fairly good rate of speed, and just at the Grand Opera House, two men behind a fast stepper overtook them. As is usually the case, the animal the ladies were driving objected to this sudden relegation to "the also ran" class, and to the best of his ability endeavored to get first money. As everyone knows, the next corner is one of the worst in the city, and the spectators held their breath when the second buggy reached that point. The lady driving was doing her best to check the pace and also to get the horse to take the Locust avenue route. But the men had turned up Barney street, still as fast as their horse could travel, and the second horse could not be swerved from that street. The lady, with rare presence of mind, let him have his way in the nick of time, and as it was wheels just grazed the curb.

It seems that if a man has any instincts of a gentleman such things would not happen. There is no excuse for such conduct, as the runabout which the ladies were using had no top and anyone approaching from behind could see that the occupants were of the weaker sex.

## SHOT

WAS FIFTH WARD CITIZEN LAST NIGHT—CAUSED QUITE AN EXCITEMENT, BUT RESULT WAS NOT SERIOUS.

Excitement ran high for a while in the Fifth ward last night. Between seven and eight o'clock a gun report was heard and Henry Pehinski, who was standing near his home on Sixth street, was shot. He did not fall dead, in fact he did not fall at all, but in an hour the report was spreading that he had been killed. Instead of dying he started for the office of Dr. Holland, but seeing him on a passing car, he boarded the car and came over to Dr. Graham's office, where Drs. Graham and Holland picked out one shot from his face and two from his leg. They were bird shot and it is supposed that some boys were shooting sparrows when the shot hit Pehinski. He is a tailor, and works for Fred Kahrl. The shot were just under the skin, and outside of a little soreness he suffers no injury.

It is against the city's ordinance for any one to shoot in the city limits, and if caught the guilty parties will be punished to the full extent of the law.

Frank P. Zook, of Wheeling, is in the city to-day.

## SULLY, THE COTTON KING, HAS A FRIEND.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., May 12.—J. M. Hauz, of Jasper, Ala., a cotton buyer, is at work on a plan in behalf of the Southern cotton buyers and planters, by which he hopes again to place Daniel J. Sully, of New York, on his feet, so that he can bull the cotton market next fall. The plan contemplates a subscription of \$1,000,000 by collecting ten cents from the farmers for each bale of cotton they figure on raising this season. This fund is to be used by Sully in bulling the market if the New Yorker adheres to the

plan. Hauz said he had recently held a conference with cotton buyers from Texas, Tennessee, Louisiana, Georgia and Alabama, who are familiar with conditions, and all agree that the amount can be raised. They say that the farmers believe that the bull clique of which Sully was the head, was the means of getting for them from \$10 to \$25 more per bale than they had received for years, and that they will gladly contribute to the fund. The promoter is waiting to hear from Sully.

## TIRED OF LIFE

FOR THE LOVE OF A WOMAN, WROTE A MAN AND TACKED A CARD ON A TREE NEAR THE O'DONNELL MINES.

THERE IS SOME MYSTERY ABOUT THE AFFAIR, BUT IT MAY ALL BE A JOKE.

Sunday afternoon while taking a walk J. E. Walker found a piece of cardboard tacked to a tree near the opening of the O'Donnell mines, on the East side of the river, near this city. He brought the card to a policeman and it has come into our hands. The following is what was written on the card:

"May 1st, 1904.  
"You will find my remains in these woods somewhere above. Tired of life for the love of Katy Casemore."  
(Signed) — "H. DAVIS,  
"402 Fairmont avenue."

The first initial cannot be made out owing to the nail driven through it. It looks like "J" or "W." We have found no one who knows Davis, but some people know the woman. Upon investigation we find 402 Fairmont avenue to be a vacant lot, and no Davis near.

No one has been found in the woods and no one is reported lost, so we give the story no credence. It may be that some man is foolish enough to end his miserable days, but we believe the note to have been placed there as a joke, or perhaps there is a man by this name who thought to make one woman love him more.

### Looking For Officers.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., May 12.—W. T. Holly, travelling passenger agent of the Union Pacific and the Oregon Railroad Navigation Company, which has a line of ships between San Francisco and Hong Kong, was in Louisville Wednesday to confer with the local recruiting officer, who is securing officers for the Chinese army. Holly is seeking the contract to convey the men to China.

## JAPANESE TROOPS HEADED FOR HYSEN

PRODUCTS IN GREAT QUANTITIES ARE ARRIVING FROM UP THE RIVER—PERFECT ORDER PREVAILS AND NO FIGHTING IS ANTICIPATED IN THE VICINITY OF NEW CHWANG.

A MILITARY EXPERT SAYS THE JAPANESE ARE DEPLOYING ON A WIDE FRONT ALONG A GENERAL LINE RUNNING NORTHEAST AND SOUTHWEST—SUPPLIES FOR 200,000 MEN MUST BE DEFENDED.

LONDON, May 12.—A dispatch received by Lloyds from their new Chwang correspondent states that Port Arthur is cut off. The dispatch which is sent via Cheefoo and dated May 12, follows: "Product is arriving in great quantities from up the river. Japanese troops are marching from Feng Huang Cheng toward Hysen."

"Port Arthur is cut off. Perfect order prevails at New Chwang."

"I do not anticipate trouble or fighting in this vicinity. Great credit is due General Kondratovich and Civil Administrator Etzel."

LONDON, May 12.—The Military Expert of the London Times says: "The reports of the Russian staff seems to show that the Japanese are deploying on a wide front along a general line, running northeast and southwest through Feng Huang Cheng. Considering the Russian field army available at Liao Yang is very much stronger than General Kuriko's command, and that the Russian strength and position is very well known to the Japanese, the idea that the latter are about to hurt their first army upon the Liao Yang is contrary to all probabilities. The Japanese have told much of their plans on the peninsula up to a certain point, but have wisely said nothing of their intentions on the side of Taku Shan or of the movements along General Kuriko's right flank and we are still without definite news of the situation or the intention of the greater part of the Japanese army. Judging, however, from the position of the first army as disclosed by the Russian reports, we are bound to assume that this is no isolated movement and that other troops are combining their action with the operations so far disclosed."

The general idea seems to be the deployment on a very broad front followed by an advance along the parallel roads or tracks on the hills upon the Russian positions.

Whether the weight of this attack is to be thrown upon the right, left or centre, there is nothing to show, and the only thing certain is that every movement by the Japanese right is strategically the move dangerous for the Russians.

General Kuropatkin may properly hope to unite his force and retrieve the disaster on the Pailu by a blow struck at one of the Japanese columns.

while they are separated in the mountains, but simple theory is oftentimes hard practice.

"An army exceeding a strength of 60,000 cannot be usefully employed along any single line of mountain operations or in any single valley, a great number cannot be deployed and brought into action and are therefore only an incumbrance. The Japanese, even if attacked by the superior Russian forces can likely resist any direct assault. The Japanese will be in a position to advance in a round-about way and attack the Russian flanks."

The hasty Russian retreat from New Chwang makes it probable that General Kuropatkin fears for his left flank and does not intend to run any risk of being cut off. Thus, the movement of the first Japanese army has maneuvered him out of an important position, and the Japanese can now occupy New Chwang if they so desire without loss.

General Kuropatkin's position is not to be envied. His front is parallel with his line and every day will make him more alive to the disadvantage. He has calculated supplies for 200,000 men at Liao Yang and Mukden and he must either defend, destroy or abandon them. He holds, or could hold a concentrated position, but there his advantage ends and these simultaneous columns which are ending their lengths along all the mountain passes in the south and east, and it must be clear to him that the enemy is making a very big coup indeed.

"In the Liao Yang Peninsula, the Russians have been very strategic in supporting damage to railways and contriving to bring a train load of ammunition to Port Arthur."

Nevertheless the Japanese advance upon the fortress continued along the eastern shore, covered by warships off the shore, and two regiments, forming the head of their advancing column, passed Chilly station Monday night going toward Dalny. The investment of Port Arthur must now have been accomplished unless the garrison has been able to stay the progress by a successful sortie.

The inner roads by the Cossacks in Northern Korea can be accomplished, but it is likely that the Japanese will now pay more attention to defending the positions which they have occupied.

## PHIL S. GREINER

Will Be Here to Participate in Production of the "Ranch King."

Phil S. Greiner telegraphed the local Aerie of Eagles that he would be here to participate in the production of the "Ranch King" and will, of course, present some of his clever specialties. Phil's addition to the cast is just what the committee in charge have been trying to arrange. Greiner, Watson, Goodwin, Fisher and Fleming are certainly clever people, which can also be said about the twelve or fifteen other people in the cast.

### Preliminary Trial.

HUNTINGTON W. Va., May 12.—The preliminary trial of Thomas Owens is in progress at Hamlin to-day. Owens, after turning out the lights on a Guyan Valley passenger train, it is alleged, shot detective Robert Crockett to death. He was later captured in the mountains and brought here for safe keeping under heavy guard. He was taken to Hamlin this morning on a special train.

### Case Compromised.

The board bill case against the Barnsville man was compromised in Judge Amos' court, the defendant agreeing to pay the bill.

## MRS. POWELL

WAS SENTENCED TO LIFE IMPRISONMENT THIS MORNING.

DOVER, Del., May 12.—Attorney Ridgely to-day withdrew the motion for a new trial in the case of Mrs. Mary A. Powell, recently convicted of the murder of her adopted daughter, Elsie Albin. This action was taken at the request of the woman. She was then sentenced to life imprisonment.

A number of young people spent the morning down the river in rowboats.

Dr. W. B. Rodgers, of Clarksburg, John M. Carle, of Wheeling, and C. F. Rou, of Morgantown, are some of the out-of-town people at the Tavern to-day.

L. A. Thompson, of Grafton, is in town to-day.

C. F. Lucas, of Shinnston, is in town.